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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith references which they believe may be material to the patentability of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

While the references may be "material" under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the references are "prior art" unless specifically designated as such.

The filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that no other material references than those listed exist or that a search has been conducted.

The references are listed in Form PTO-1449 which is in accordance with the requirements of M.P.E.P. 609. A copy of the references is also enclosed.

The references are as follows:

1. EP 0 270 974 A2;
2. Abstract of Sharma et al., Enzyme Microb Technol 12, Vol. 2, pgs. 132-137 (1990);
3. Abstract of Dhillon et al., Biotechnol Lett 7, Vol. 9, pgs. 695-697 (1985); and



4. Abstract of Jun et al., Bioscience Biotechnology and Biochemistry, Vol. 61, No. 12, pgs. 2004-2009 (1997).

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application and be made of record therein. The Examiner is also invited to contact the Undersigned if there are any questions concerning this paper or the attached references.

The supplemental information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. Therefore, no fee is due.

Respectfully submitted,

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